

# TRASH AND RECYCLING

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**REGULAR DOMESTIC HOUSEHOLD WASTE** is picked up weekly on Fridays. Trash should be in heavy-duty trash bags or covered containers and be roadside by 7:00 am each Friday to ensure pickup. Containers should not weigh more than 40 pounds. (pieces of carpet must be cut into 4-foot sections, 1 tire not on a rim, aerosol cans that are empty, opened-dried-out cans of latex paint, and regular alkaline batteries are also accepted in the weekly pickup.) (Recycling information on the next page) Our Trash and Recycling are currently picked up by Sullivan's Waste Disposal & Recycling Services, Inc. Their phone number is 948-2658.

**SOME ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED AT ROADSIDE PICKUP** can be taken to Pine Tree Transfer and Recycling. You do not need a permit. Waste Management of Maine Transfer Station has recently closed.

**\*\*Please call first to verify hours, rates and items accepted as they are subject to change.\*\***

**Pine Tree Transfer and Recycling, 368 Emerson Mill Road, Hampden, Maine, 862-4200.**

(They are no longer a Landfill and do not accept all the items they used to) They accept demolition and/or regular debris, scrap metal, white goods, furniture, shingles and small tree stumps. Their hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 4:30 pm and Saturday from 7:30 am to 12:00 pm. Closed All Sundays. The cost is \$142.00 per ton, prorated for most items, except for shingles that are \$96.00 per ton. No food waste. There is a sheet from Pine Tree at the Town Office listing the items accepted and not accepted.

**UNIVERSAL WASTE** items will not be accepted in your regular trash, but are not considered hazardous waste. These items can be taken to Electronics End, LLC at 173 Robertson Blvd, East-West Industrial Park, Brewer. Their hours are Monday-Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Some items now have a fee to dispose of them, like TVs which is \$3.00 each. If you have any questions you can call them at 649-8921 or check out their website at [www.electronicSEND.com](http://www.electronicSEND.com).

**Universal waste items are:**

TV's & Computer Monitors:	Mercury Thermometers	Mercury Devices	PBC Ballasts
Mercury-Containing Thermostat	Mercury Switch	Florescent Bulbs	Batteries

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE** items will not be accepted in your regular trash, at the Pine Tree Landfill. .

**Household Hazardous Waste items are:**

Oil based paint	Transmission Fluid	Liquid mercury	Varnish
Turpentine	Old Gasoline	Used Antifreeze	Linseed Oil
Brake Fluid	Paint Remover & Thinners		Chemical fertilizer

There used to be a Household Hazardous Waste day offered in Bangor each fall. Last year they stopped offering this, thus eliminating a way to dispose of this waste. Hopefully this year something will be offered, or a new organization will start collecting these items. If you have any of the above listed items that you need to dispose of, please call us at the Town Office and we can let you know if there are any new options for them.

**PLEASE NOTE:**

We understand that the disposal of all Trash and Recycling is becoming harder and harder each year and appreciate the extra time and effort that each of you puts into disposing of all items correctly. Hopefully our Recycling percentage will continue to grow each year as more and more people realize the importance of Recycling and maybe the cost for disposing of regular Trash will decrease.

# SINGLE SORT RECYCLING

## (Recycling Made Easy)

**SINGLE SORT RECYCLING** is picked up roadside on the **First and Third Friday** of each month. Single Sort Recycling offers an expanded list of items accepted and **all of the items can be put in one container and do NOT need to be sorted out.** You can continue to use your recycling bins or you can start putting your items into a regular trashcan as you will find the amount of your recyclable items will increase. Please put your trash on one side of your driveway and the recycling on the other side so there will be no confusion. Until you have a sticker for your new container, place the blue bin beside it so they will know what to recycle and what to take to PERC. Below you will find a list of items that they **DO and DON'T RECYCLE**.

EcoMaine is the company that will be processing the recyclable items. More information about Single Sort Recycling is available at [ecomaine.org](http://ecomaine.org). As we get more information about the system, we will post information on Cable Channel 7 and at [eddingtomaine.gov](http://eddingtomaine.gov). You can also email us at [townofeddington@roadrunner.com](mailto:townofeddington@roadrunner.com) if you have any questions. Maine Waste Systems picks up our trash and recycling. You can reach them at 659-2381.

### Universal Waste

Items categorized as "Universal Waste" cannot be included with your curbside pickup. Items can be taken to Electronics End, LLC, 173 Robertson Blvd, East-West Industrial Park, Brewer ME. 659-8921  
[www.electronicSEND.com](http://www.electronicSEND.com)

#### Universal Waste Items:

All Batteries  
Cell Phones/Telephones  
Computers & Peripherals  
Digital Cameras & Picture Screens  
DVD/VCR Players  
Fax Machines/Copiers/Scanners  
Florescent Bulbs  
Game Consoles  
Mercury Devices  
Thermostats/Thermometers  
Microwaves  
PBC Ballasts  
TV's  
Typewriters

### Hazardous Waste

Items categorized as "Hazardous Waste" must be disposed of carefully and cannot be included with your curbside pickup.

**Unluckily there was not a Household Hazardous Waste Day last October. We are looking into other ways for residents to dispose of these types of items.**

#### Hazardous waste Items:

Anti-freeze	Herbicides
Brake Fluid	Oil Based Paint
Chemicals	Old Gasoline
Fertilizers	Paint Thinner
Fuel	Pesticides
Fungicides	

### DO RECYCLE

**PAPER, PLASTIC, METAL, AND GLASS CAN ALL BE MIXED TOGETHER.**

#### PAPER

Newspapers & Inserts  
Magazines  
Mail & Catalogs  
Paper Bags  
Office Paper & Envelopes  
File Folders  
Wrapping Paper  
Phone Books  
Hard Cover Books  
Paper Plates (clean)  
Milk & Juice Cartons  
Boxes:  
Cardboard, Cereal, Drink,  
Gift, Pizza

#### PLASTIC

Water Bottles  
Milk Jugs  
Detergent Bottles  
All containers marked with a #1- #7 (except Styrofoam)  
Plastic Grocery/ Shopping  
Bags marked with a #2 or #4

#### METAL

Tin Cans  
Aerosol Cans (empty)  
Aluminum Cans/Foil  
Pots & Pans

#### GLASS

All glass Bottles & Jars  
(all colors)

**Empty all containers**

### DON'T RECYCLE

Batteries, alkaline  
Bubble-wrap  
Clothing & shoes  
Diapers  
Envelopes, plastic or Tyvek®  
Food (but you can compost it)  
Kitty litter  
Knives  
Light bulbs,  
incandescent (trash),  
compact fluorescent  
light bulbs (return to store)  
Needles & sharps  
Paper napkins  
Paper towels  
Plastic bags:  
bread bags  
frozen vegetable,  
snack/sandwich,  
trash bags  
Plastic wrap or film  
Potato chip bags  
Ribbon & bows  
Styrofoam® or  
polystyrene foam  
(even if marked #6)  
Trash/waste  
Vinyl (siding, bumper  
stickers, etc.)  
Waxed boxes & paper  
Wood

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## **MISCELLANEOUS METALS, APPLIANCES, VEHICLE BATTERIES, ETC:**

**Libby's Salvage** (991-0245) 304 Main Road, Eddington, ME - No charge for metal items, sheet metal, iron, copper, aluminum, tin, metal appliances (unless they have freon and then there is a \$15.00 charge to be paid at the Town Office), drums and barrels and vehicles. (1995 and newer must have the title) No Tires will be accepted. Please call to set up a time and get instructions on where to drop items inside the gate. Items should not be left outside the gate!!!!

Complete the form below if you have any items containing Freon.

The fee must be paid at the Town Office before the items can be dropped off.

Refrigerator(s) \_\_\_\_ Air conditioner Unit(s) \_\_\_\_ Total Items \_\_\_\_ x \$15.00 = \$\_\_\_\_ Amount due at Town Office  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Lakeman and Sons** (989-2780) 134 Levensellar Rd, Holden, ME – They will accept metal Appliances, including microwave ovens, washers, dryers, hot water heaters, refrigerators, (There is a \$10.00 charge for items with freon), copper, etc. They are currently buying tire rims and car batteries. Call them to check to see if they will accept any other metal items you need to dispose of.

**Onesteel Recycling, Inc** (formerly Industrial Metal Recycling Inc) (947-3710) 2630 Outer Broadway, Bangor. They will accept metal appliances at no charge, unless they have freon and then there is a \$15.00 charge. They will also take red metals, iron, copper, brass, radiators, heater cores, insulated copper wire, car, lawnmower and boat batteries, motor blocks and cars. There is a Sheet at the Town Office listing items accepted. (Depending on the market, they will pay a small amount for some items.)

## **NEW OR REUSABLE BUILDING SUPPLIES & APPLIANCES**

### **Habitat for Humanity of Greater Bangor, 83 Washington Street, Bangor, Me 04401**

A Program of Habitat for Humanity, the ReStore accepts donations of new or reusable building supplies and appliances from individuals, contractors and businesses. The Re Store then sells these building materials at discount prices to the general public. Proceeds help fund new Habitat home construction for local low-income families.

The Habitat ReStore may be able to help you. If you donate, you earn tax deductions, help the environment by diverting reusable materials from area landfills and best of all, help build homes for families in your community. As a customer, you could save 50% and more off retail prices on home improvement materials of all kinds.

Store Hours – Open to the Public:

Tuesday – Saturday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

For more information call 207-942-8977 or on line to [www.HabitatBangor.org](http://www.HabitatBangor.org).

Here are some examples of the kinds of things they will take:

Lumber(no nails)	Plumbing & Bathroom Fixtures	Windows/Doors(no cracked/broken glass)
Tools	Electrical Fixtures & Hardware	Flooring/Tiles(no broken or with grout)
Latex Paint	Kitchen & Bathroom Cabinets	Working Appliance(10 yrs/newer-cleaned)

**\*\*They will not take mattresses, box springs, clothing, linens, TVs or computers, storm doors, single-pane windows, mini or vertical blinds, furnaces or baby related items. Please call them if you have any questions.\*\***

## **COMPOSTING**

There has been an increased interest in composting as living green becomes more popular. We have had a great response in the past from people purchasing compost bins to compost their grass, leaves and table scraps and at the same time provide a rich fertilizer for their own gardens. The program we are working with offers Compost Bins for \$41.00 and Kitchen Pails for \$10.50. We have a bin and pail on display at the Office.

More information about composting is available at the State Planning Office website at

[www.recyclemaine.com](http://www.recyclemaine.com).

# **Consider Composting**

## **What you should, and shouldn't, put in your compost bin**

Do you have a garden? Then you should consider having a compost bin too! Up to a third of all the rubbish that's thrown away each year could be transformed into compost. Just think what a reduction to the amount of rubbish being sent to landfill we could make if we all composted this waste at home!

## **What goes in...**

As a general rule you can compost most uncooked kitchen waste such as fruit scraps and vegetable peelings, egg shells, teabags and coffee grounds, but not animal or dairy products. After 6 – 12 months all this waste could turn into a fantastic free nutritious fertilizer for your flower beds, vegetable plots, hanging baskets and patio planters. So don't bin your household waste – compost it!

## **Compost these:**

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|---------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| - Egg Boxes   | Raw vegetable peelings | Egg shells                       |
| - Fruit waste | Brown paper bags       | Scrunched up newspaper           |
| - Teabags     | Toilet roll tubes      | Vacuum cleaner bag contents      |
| - Pet Hair    | Coffee grounds         | (only if you have wool carpets!) |

## **Don't compost these:**

- Meat
- Cooked vegetables
- Dairy products
- Dog or cat poo
- Nappies

## **Tips for top compost**

- 1) Have a caddy in the kitchen to help you get into the composting habit
- 2) Get a good mix of 'greens' (e.g. vegetable peelings) and 'browns' (e.g. scrunched up cardboard)
- 3) In your compost bin, try to create alternating layers of greens and browns – this will help create air pockets for the microbes that break the material down to breathe, and that speeds up the rotting process
- 4) You can add even more air by occasionally mixing the compost in the bin with a fork or broom handle
- 5) Keep it up for 6-12 months, and you'll have beautiful, rich compost to improve the soil on your plant or vegetable beds – and all for free!

## **MISCELLANEOUS DISPOSAL/RECYCLE ITEMS**

If you have other items to dispose of that are not addressed on this list, please contact the Town Office at 843-5233 and we will look into it for you

## **CELL PHONES**

You can turn in your old cell phones to the Bangor Police Department at the front counter at 240 Main Street, Bangor. They will distribute these phones to homeless, needy or battered women in the area. You can get a receipt for your donation from them. The following businesses also accept cell phones to recycle:

Radio Shack, 1129 Union St, Bangor ME 942-5908

Radio Shack, 663 Stillwater Ave, Bangor, ME 947-6375

US Cellular, 33 Bangor Mall Blvd, Bangor, ME 942-5218

Game Stop, 663 Stillwater Ave, Bangor, ME 945-5933 (will pay for some Smartphones & Tablets)

## **CFL BULB RECYCLING**

Efficiency Maine, a program through the Maine Public Utilities Commission, has launched a statewide CFL bulb-recycling program. You can now bring your used (unbroken) CFL bulbs to any participating store for free recycling. Note: CFL bulbs must be recycled and cannot be disposed of in the trash because they contain small amounts of mercury. (Lowe's, Walmart and Home Depot all participate in the program and will accept used bulbs.)

## **INK CARTRIDGES**

Eddington School accepts ink cartridges as a fundraiser. Call the school at 843-6010 with any questions or check out their website at [www.cartridgesforkids.com](http://www.cartridgesforkids.com). Ink Cartridges can also be turned in at Staples Office Supply Stores (947-9225) in Bangor at no charge.

## **LEAVES OR GRASS**

Eddington residents can dispose of leaves or grass only at the Brewer Landfill at 825 Wiswell Road. They have changed their hours of operation and have moved the gate at the Landfill so you cannot access the leaves pile unless the facility is opened. Nonresidents can access the leaves disposal area the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 7:30 am to 2:00 pm and on Tuesdays from 7:00 am to 11:30 am. They have asked that it not include any branches, that you use paper bags and if you use plastic bags the leaves should be taken out of plastic bags and dumped into their pile.

## **MOTOR OIL**

Advanced Auto (989-8999) - 1 Vista Way, Brewer - motor oil only - 5 gallon limit - no charge  
Autoworks (843-5757) - 1328 Main Rd, Eddington – (will also recycle kerosene, heating oil, and some gas)

Will not accept anything contaminated by water or antifreeze – no charge

**PROPANE TANKS** We are currently researching where propane tanks can be disposed of because they can no longer be taken to the Brewer Landfill. Please call the Town Office to find out what we have learned.

**RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES** The following businesses accept rechargeable batteries to recycle:

Radio Shack, 1129 Union St, Bangor, ME 942-5908

Radio Shack, 663 Stillwater Ave, Bangor, ME 947-6375

## **SMOKE DETECTORS**

Some smoke detectors have a label on them, which states that the detector contains radioactive material and should not be disposed of in your regular trash. First check the detector for a phone number or address of a disposal service or the manufacturer who can be contacted for further instructions on disposal. If there is no information available, wrap the detectors separately and dispose of it in your regular trash. (the radioactive material in the detector would only cause concern if there were a large number of detectors)

## **VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES**

Any unused license plates can be returned to the Town Office and we will return them to the State of Maine Bureau of Motor Vehicles where they will be recycled.

## **Miscellaneous School Fundraising items to save!!!**

Various Businesses and Organizations offer Fundraising Programs for students that allow the schools to purchase educational items. The collected items can be dropped off at the Eddington Elementary School or the Town Office.

### **Labels for Education Program:**

Eddington Elementary School continues to collect labels that are redeemed for various educational items. Some of the products accepted include: **Campbell Soup, Franco American, V8, Prego and Swanson Labels, Pace Lids, and Pepperidge Farm UPC Codes.** (Watch for “Labels for Educations” reminder symbols on eligible packages and under each “Brand Symbol” for the return item for redemption.) **A complete list of products is available at the School, Town Office or Online at [www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com)**

### **Box Tops 4 Education:**

Eddington Elementary School is also collecting Box Top Coupons from participating products such as General Mills Cereals, Pillsbury and Yoplait refrigerated items, Betty Crocker, Old El Paso and “Helper” meals and sides, Pillsbury, Green Giant and Totino’s frozen items, Betty Crocker and various brands of Fruit Snacks, and Bisquick and Betty Crocker Baking Items. **A complete list of products is available at the School, Town Office or Online at [www.boxtopsforeducation.com](http://www.boxtopsforeducation.com)**

### **Tyson Project A+**

The Eddington School is participating in a program sponsored by Tyson Chicken. Look for the “**Project A+**” logo on **Tyson Chicken** products. Each label is worth 24 cents towards books, computers, and improvements to buildings. For more information, check their website at [www.ProjectAPlus.tyson.com](http://www.ProjectAPlus.tyson.com).

### **Cartridges for Kids**

Eddington Elementary School is collecting empty laser ink cartridges and redeeming them for money. This program earns money for the schools, saves oil by remanufacturing them and it keeps the cartridges out of the landfills.

### **Hannaford Helps Schools**

From September through November of each year, Hannaford Supermarkets offer a program to help schools raise money. Whenever you purchase at least 3 eligible General Mills products, you will automatically receive “Hannaford School dollars” with you cash register tape at checkout. The more you buy at one time, the greater the “dollars” value. Just send your “Hannaford Dollars” to the Eddington School by the first week of December and they can turn them in for cash. For more information, check their website at [www.hannaford.com](http://www.hannaford.com).

If you would like more information about any of these programs, contact Amy Kessler at 843-6010 or email her at [akessler@sad63.k12.me.us](mailto:akessler@sad63.k12.me.us).